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REFERENCE: OCTOBER QUARTERLY REPORT (07/01/2012 - 09/30/2012)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following **3** item(s):

1. While it is permissible for a person to make a contribution for the runoff and general elections prior to the primary election, the recipient committee must employ an acceptable accounting method to distinguish between primary, runoff, and general election contributions. (11 CFR § 102.9(e)) These 2012 runoff election and 2012 general election amounts must be maintained in the committee's account.

Since the candidate did not participate in the runoff and general elections, any contribution received for the runoff and general elections must be returned to the donors or redesignated to the primary if your committee has net debts outstanding for the primary election. The Commission notes your additional explanation regarding the committee's corrective action taken for some of these contributions. To redesignate a contribution the committee must either (1) obtain signed written documentation from the contributor(s) authorizing the redesignation of the contribution for another election provided that the new designation does not exceed the limitations on contributions made with respect to that election, or (2) redesignate the contribution by presumption to the primary election, for undesignated contributions made after the primary but before the general election, provided that the new designation does not exceed the limitations on contributions made with respect to that election. In this case, the treasurer must notify the contributor of the redesignation in writing. The notification must give the contributor an opportunity to request a refund. A